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- 11. (SBU) Poloff delivered the reftel non-paper on December 18 to Juergen Boehler, Head of the Export Control Licensing Division of the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO). Boehler expressed appreciation for the additional information and undertook to investigate the matter further.
- $\underline{\mathbf{1}}2$. (S) On January 5, Boehler contacted poloff and reported that SECO was strengthening its controls on Quartzcom AG, including increased customs/border vigilance. He said that the matter is with the Swiss federal police and intelligence services, remarking that the firm "will be in trouble, if it is circumventing SECO orders." CARTER